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NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

NO AMMONIA IN MARCH WATER

Beginning March 1, the City of Raleigh temporarily will stop adding ammonia to its water treatment disinfecting process.

The change is required by the federal and state regulations governing the operation of the City's water system. The City will resume adding ammonia to the water treatment process on April 1.

Using ammonia in the treatment process helps reduce the amount of trihalomethanes, a by-product formed when water is disinfected with chlorine.

The one-month return to chlorine-only disinfecting is not expected to cause any significant increase in trihalomethanes. Trihalomethane levels are strictly regulated in drinking water, and the City of Raleigh has maintained compliance with all limits on trihalomethanes since regulations were put in place in 1981.

Some users of water may be affected by the temporary change in the treatment process. Water customers should be aware that residual traces of ammonia and chlorine must be removed from the water prior to use in fish tanks and ponds, kidney dialysis and some commercial manufacturing of food and beverages.

The City also conducts flushing of the water distribution system during this period to hasten the change of chloramines to chlorine residual disinfectant. This flushing may cause some temporary discoloration in the water. The water is absolutely safe. However, as a precaution, customers may check to see if their water is discolored before washing white clothes.

Water customers affected by this change include those who pay water bills to the City of Raleigh and to the towns of Rolesville, Garner, Knightdale, Holly Springs, Wendell, Wake Forest, Zebulon and Fuquay-Varina.

Questions about this change in water treatment should be directed to Public Utilities Director Dale Crisp at 857-4540 or by mail at the City of Raleigh Public Utilities Department, P.O. Box 590, Raleigh, NC 27602, or email marti.gibson@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

HAPPY 30TH BIRTHDAY, CITY OF RALEIGH ARTS COMMISSION!

The City of Raleigh Arts Commission (CORAC), established in 1977 and celebrating its 30th Anniversary in 2007, proudly holds the distinction of being the first municipal arts commission created in North Carolina.

Serving as the official advisory body and advocate for the arts to the Raleigh City Council, the commission's myriad activities foster, support, and promote the arts in our Capital City. Funded primarily by the City Council, the commission designates the great majority of its monies to direct funding of Raleigh arts organizations. These funds support programs ranging from the Carolina Ballet's stunning *Nutcracker*, to Artspace's eye-catching exhibitions, to the tuneful lessons offered to disadvantaged youth by the Community Music School. Grants to 27 organizations, expected to serve close to 900,000 people and involving 16,500 artists, will help organizations this year present:

- 100 theatre, dance and music performances;
- 50 visual arts exhibitions;
- two arts festivals celebrating ethnic diversity; and,
- three downtown arts festivals and more!

The commission uses the remainder of its funds to underwrite local arts projects and to promote the arts in Raleigh. Ongoing activities include the annual Raleigh Medal of Arts awards, which recognize extraordinary artistic achievement and support by individuals, businesses and organizations in our city; the Municipal Building Arts Exhibition Series (housed in the Miriam Preston Block Gallery) showcasing the work of local artists; art purchases for the City's permanent collection; and the dissemination of information on arts activities and issues through the quarterly ARTSBEAT newsletter, various arts brochures, and the City's website (www.raleighnc.gov). Additionally, the commission has worked with other City agencies and interested groups to complete a public art policy in use

since 2004. Past public art projects have included the successful Raleigh Red Wolf Ramble and the recent installation in Chavis Park of the public art sculpture, Glimpses of the Promised Land.

In addition to ongoing successful programs, the Arts Commission is planning exciting new projects which will be unveiled as part of CORAC's 30th Anniversary celebration. In keeping with the motto: Arts for Everyone: Within Each of Us, Within Reach of Us, the City of Raleigh Arts Commission has much to celebrate in terms of past accomplishments - and much to look forward to as Raleigh continues to grow as a cultural hub for the state.

Happy Birthday, City of Raleigh Arts Commission!

LOCK, TAKE, HIDE

It sounds simple, but you really can fight crime every day just by locking your car, taking your keys, and hiding your belongings. And not only will that make Raleigh an

even better, safer city, it may save you a lot of time and money.

Property stolen from vehicles amounts to one out of every five crimes reported to the FBI by the police. Annually, more than 3,000 people all across our city are its victims. In addition to the loss of property, victims often return to damaged vehicles. And if the stolen items include credit cards or personal information, the dollar loss could multiply.

Some thieves prowl for unlocked cars and trucks. Others smash windows or pry open doors to get to things they can see inside. Purses, cameras, electronic items, computers and even loose change can lead to a break in.

The best way to fight this crime is to prevent it from happening in the first place.

That's why the Raleigh Police Department urges you to remember Lock, Take and Hide -three little words that can make a huge difference.

CITY OFFER 'E' NEWSLETTER

Residents who want to receive the City of Raleigh's news releases electronically may do so by dropping a request to jayne.kirkpatrick@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

Hard copies of the news releases will continue to be mailed weekly upon request. Please contact the City of Raleigh Public Affairs Department at 890-3100 to make this request.

REPORT BACKUPS OR OVERFLOWS IMMEDIATELY

Please call the City of Raleigh Public Utilities Maintenance Division at 250-2737 to report a sewer backup or overflow. When calling at a time other than 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, please dial the after hours emergency number - 829-1930

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For information on employment, please call the 24-hour JOBLINE at 890-3305
or visit our web site at www.raleighnc.gov



A reminder from the
Raleigh Police Department



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